# **EXHIBIT E**

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### **VIA EMAIL**

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Re: Bisous Bisous LLC v. The Cle Group, LLC, Case No. 3:21-cv-01614-B

#### Dear Ken:

As I mentioned on our call this afternoon, we write to bring an urgent issue to your attention concerning your clients' The Cle Group, LLC and Bisou Uptown Manager, LLC's multiple violations of the Court's August 16 Order granting BISOUS BISOUS' motion for a preliminary injunction (Dkt. 45; the "Preliminary Injunction Order") in the 24 hours since it was issued. As stated in the Preliminary Injunction Order:

Cle, Bisou Uptown, and anyone acting in concert with them, are **PRELIMINARILY ENJOINED** from using the term "Bisou" in association with restaurant services and food and/or beverage products, including advertising for the same, in Dallas, Texas.

Despite this, your clients' "Bisou Dallas" Instagram and Facebook accounts remain active and continue to display posts that feature the enjoined term "Bisou"—including as a standalone mark. Your clients' blatant violations of the Preliminary Injunction Order began just hours after the order was issued, when a new promotional post appeared on the "Bisou Dallas" Instagram account advertising BISOU and a contest to win a "\$100 BISOU GIFT CARD" for use at the restaurant this Wednesday, August 18. See <a href="https://www.instagram.com/p/CSp9S57NVoW/">https://www.instagram.com/p/CSp9S57NVoW/</a>. This afternoon, your clients posted yet another advertisement for the August 18 "Grand Opening" of BISOU on the "Bisou Dallas" Instagram and Facebook accounts that prominently features the BISOU logo and is attributed to The Cle Group. See <a href="https://www.instagram.com/p/CSsBPvLtxFi/">https://www.facebook.com/bisoudtx/photos/a.229080975696827/257215819550009/</a>. Additional Instagram and Facebook stories have also appeared on the "Bisou Dallas" Instagram and Facebook accounts today, including one featuring the BISOU signage that we see is still displayed at the restaurant on McKinney Avenue. Further, your clients are continuing to use the term "Bisou" on the website at <a href="https://www.bisoudallas.com">www.bisoudallas.com</a> as well as the associated email addresses (e.g., contact@bisoudallas.com) to take reservations for BISOU.

Your clients have been on notice that their use of BISOU must cease since last Wednesday, August 11, 2021, when you were advised orally by Judge Boyle in court, and again in the Court's Minute Entry (Dkt. 44) that same day that BISOUS BISOUS' motion for a preliminary injunction was granted.



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Your clients' knowing and continuing use of BISOU is a clear violation of the Court's Preliminary Injunction Order and must cease immediately. Each day that your clients' advertisements for BISOU Dallas remain on their BISOU-branded social media accounts and website compounds the irreparable harm suffered by BISOUS BISOUS. If your clients do not disable their "Bisou Dallas" social media accounts and website immediately and otherwise comply with the Preliminary Injunction Order, BISOUS BISOUS will move the Court for sanctions and an order of contempt.

We have also noticed that related social media accounts, including the "Bisou Houston" (@bisouhouston) Instagram account and the @salimdehkordi Instagram account, which we believe is owned by Salim Dehkordi, Manager of The Cle Group, reposted the advertisement for BISOU Dallas' "Grand Opening" in their Instagram stories this afternoon. As you know, the Court enjoined not only your clients but also "anyone acting in concert with them." Your clients cannot circumvent the Preliminary Injunction Order by having their related companies and associates promote BISOU Dallas. Given this coordinated promotion of BISOU Dallas, we will advise third parties that are acting in concert with your clients that the Preliminary Injunction Order is equally binding on them and that BISOUS BISOUS may seek appropriate relief from the Court if they fail to comply.

This letter does not constitute a complete statement of BISOUS BISOUS' claims, rights, or remedies with respect to this matter, all of which are hereby expressly reserved.

Very truly yours,

/s/ David B. Conrad

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Dear Ken:

Thank you for your email.

We appreciate your interest in resolving this matter quickly.

While we provide a counter to your proposal below and hope to ultimately reach a resolution, our greatest concern at this moment is how your clients will remedy their blatant violations of the injunction. Aside from a few surface-level changes online, your clients have continued to use BISOU to promote and operate their restaurant despite the Court's clear mandate in the Preliminary Injunction Order, and after we raised your clients' lack of compliance last week.

For example, your clients are continuing to operate and advertise their restaurant with multiple BISOU signs prominently displayed at both the exterior and interior of the restaurant. They also proceeded to hold their "Grand Opening" on Wednesday using BISOU branded menus and other materials while restaurant staff greeted customers by welcoming them "to 'Bisou.'" And while your clients made changes online, they are incomplete. Two "stories" on the "Cle SupperClub" @cledtx Instagram account and "Cle Restaurant" @cledtx Facebook account posted just last Thursday displayed an image of the neon BISOU signage on the restaurant and provide the email address <a href="contact@bisoudallas.com">contact@bisoudallas.com</a> for reservations. These recent activities have caused additional instances of confusion—the very irreparable harm that the Preliminary Injunction Order is intended to prevent. If your clients are unable to remove BISOU from their signage and physical materials immediately, they can easily cover it up as a temporary solution.

While it is your clients' responsibility to ensure compliance with the Preliminary Injunction Order, we are aware of at least the following further examples of non-compliance that we bring to your attention:

- 1. Use of BISOU on physical items used in the restaurant and to advertise or promote the restaurant, including e.g., menus and business cards.
- 2. Verbally referring to the restaurant as "Bisou," such as when answering the phone and greeting customers.

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- 3. Use of BISOU on *captions* of social media posts under your clients' control, e.g., their use of #Bisou and #BisouDallas hashtags.
- 4. Social media posts under your clients' control that display BISOU signage, menus, or other physical materials—including in a post made <u>today</u>.
- 5. Use of BISOU Dallas on The Cle Group's LinkedIn page.
- 6. Use of BISOU on your clients' claimed Yelp page at <a href="https://www.yelp.com/biz/bisoudallas">https://www.yelp.com/biz/bisoudallas</a>. dallas including references to BISOU and the use of www.bisoudallas.com and any @bisoudallas.com email addresses.
- 7. Use of BISOU on your clients' RESY page at <a href="https://resy.com/cities/dfw/bisou-uptown">https://resy.com/cities/dfw/bisou-uptown</a> (that confusingly depicts Bisous Bisous on the Google map image on that same page).
- 8. Use of BISOU on the DFW Restaurant Week website and other promotional materials, including at <a href="https://www.audacy.com/dfwrestaurantweek/restaurants#home/participating-restaurants/restaurant-details4/61017cc03073a600229b4c31/">https://www.audacy.com/dfwrestaurantweek/restaurants#home/participating-restaurants/restaurant-details4/61017cc03073a600229b4c31/</a> and the BISOU branded menu linked below.
- 9. Use of BISOU on images provided by your clients to third party webpages under their control, including e.g., the image of a BISOU branded menu on the "Cle Supper Club" Google Business Profile uploaded by your clients and the BISOU branded restaurant week menu at <a href="https://www.audacy.com/dfwrestaurantweek/restaurants#home/participating-restaurants/restaurant-details4/61017cc03073a600229b4c31/kn-asset/14-24-15-6111107b4a98e9001ee56124/bisou\_menu\_dfwrestaurantweek.pdf">https://www.audacy.com/dfwrestaurantweek/restaurants#home/participating-restaurants/restaurant-details4/61017cc03073a600229b4c31/kn-asset/14-24-15-6111107b4a98e9001ee56124/bisou\_menu\_dfwrestaurantweek.pdf</a>.
- 10. Use of @bisoudallas.com email addresses to conduct business for the restaurant, e.g., to take reservations or promote the restaurant.

This list is not exhaustive, and we note that it is your clients who are the most knowledgeable about the extent of their use of BISOU. In light of this, we would like to discuss what efforts your clients are making to address these remaining uses, including whether they have coordinated with third parties whose assistance may be needed to make certain changes, such as removing all references to BISOU on the DFW Restaurant Week website and Resy.com.

Perhaps your clients' slow progress in changing the BISOU name is due in part to their hope that a quick settlement is achievable, but that is not an excuse for failing to comply with the Court's Order. It also implies that your clients expect to be able to continue to use BISOU, which is an unrealistic expectation based on their proposal.

In response to your clients' settlement proposal, Bisous Bisous responds as follows:



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While we remain hopeful about settlement, your clients' proposal is disproportionate to the harm their actions have already caused and will continue to cause by failing to comply with the Preliminary Injunction Order. It also fails to consider our comments during last Thursday's call. In light of these things, we propose a call to further discuss a potential resolution and to serve as the parties' Local Rule 7.1 conference. Please let us know if you are available on Wednesday, August 25, 2021 at 9:30 AM CT.

Very truly yours,

/s/ David B. Conrad

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